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Ms. Patricia S. Naquin U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regional Planning and Environment Division South CEMVN-PDN-CEP 7400 Leake Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

AI No.: 105036

Activity No.: CER20180001

RE:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District - Calcasieu-Sabine Project, Louisiana Coastal Area Beneficial Use of Dredged Material Program (BUDMAT)

Water Quality Certification WQC 180329-02

Cameron Parish

Dear Ms. Naquin:

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Water Permits Division (LDEQ), has reviewed the application to dredge from the Calcasieu Ship Channel and place the material within the Sabine National Wildlife Refuge to maximize the use of dredged material for ecosystem restoration in Cameron Parish.

The information provided in the application and the additional information received March 29, 2018, has been reviewed in terms of compliance with State Water Quality Standards, the approved Water Quality Management Plan and applicable state water laws, rules and regulations. LDEQ determined that the requirements for a Water Quality Certification have been met. LDEQ concludes that the deposit of spoil will not violate water quality standards as provided for in LAC 33:IX.Chapter 11. Therefore, LDEQ hereby issues U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District - Calcasieu-Sabine Project, Louisiana Coastal Area Beneficial Use of Dredged Material Program (BUDMAT) Water Quality Certification, WQC 180329-02.

Should you have any questions concerning any part of this certification, please contact Elizabeth Hill at (225) 219-3225 or by email at elizabeth.hill@la.gov. Please reference Agency Interest (AI) number 105036 and Water Quality Certification 180329-02 on all future correspondence to this Department to ensure all correspondence regarding this project is properly filed into the Department's Electronic Document Management System.

Sincefely,

Scott Guilliams Administrator

Water Permits Division

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